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Treasury of the United States,

Washington, February 2, 1887.

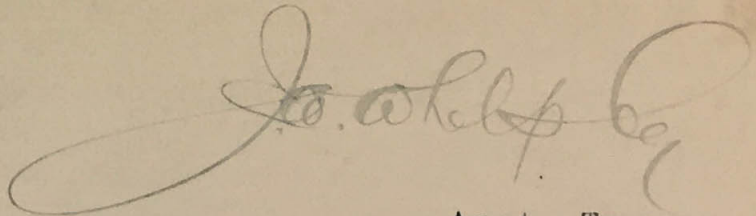
Sir:

In verifying the amount of standard silver dollars shipped by you to this office (\$200,000, part of Transfer Order No. 14020) received this morning, I beg to inform you that there was found a \$50 bag of five cent nickels, coinage of 1887.

The outside bag was found, on opening, to contain a bag of silver dollars (\$1,000) and a bag containing the above mentioned amount of minor coin.

I have to-day taken up the amount in my suspense account as from your office, and before giving you a direct credit will await any explanation you may wish to make in the matter.

Very respectfully,



To the

Asst. Treasurer U.S.

Superintendent of the Mint U.S.,

Philadelphia,

Pa.

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Treas'y U. S.
Washington. D. C.,
February 2, 1887.

J. W. H. Keppley.
Asst. Treas'r.

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part of T. O. no 14020) -
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U. S. Treasury Department.

The error in shipping a bag of 50 nickel to Washington in a consignment of silver presumably occurred in this wise: Shipments of nickel are made in canvas enclosing bags. When bags of Standard dollars show breaks in the canvas the bag is put in an enclosing canvas bag, or rebagged. The packing of minor coins was preceded with prior to the delivery of the Standard dollars to Express Co. for T. U. S. Washington. I have no doubt that one of the \$50 bags of nickel in an enclosing bag was lying near, the enclosing bag not being evident, and in the hurry of work this enclosing bag was used to rebag a broken Standard dollar bag. I have to say that such an error could not probably occur twice in a lifetime. The Shipping Department is overworked and as it has to make trains some hurry is inevitable.

[Abstract:] In verifying amt. of Standard Silver dollars shipped by Supt. to U.S. Treasy...

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Very respectfully,
J.W. Whelp Esq.
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To the Superintendent of the Mint U.S.,
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[Enclosed note:]

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